

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1451

H. P. 1214

House of Representatives, April 5, 1977

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Laffin of Westbrook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

**AN ACT Concerning Record Checks on Applicants for
Employment with Fire Departments.**

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

16 MRSA § 602, sub-§ 4 is enacted to read:

4. **Dissemination; fire departments.** Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prevent the dissemination of criminal history record information to any fire department within the state for the sole purpose of verifying the good character and record of applicants for positions with that fire department. Any criminal history record information disseminated for this purpose shall be used solely for that purpose and shall not be disseminated further.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would permit the dissemination of criminal history record information to fire departments within the state for purposes of verifying the record and character of job applicants with those fire departments. The bill would, however, limit the use of that information solely to that purpose which it was given and would prevent any further dissemination.